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1. IN LOK SABHA (PARLIAMENT) ON NOVEMBER 19, PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS MINISTER D. K. BOROOAH DENIED REPORTS IN SAME DAY'S PRESS OF AVIATION FUEL SHORTAGE OR REDUCTION IN SUPPLY FROM BURMAH-SHELL AND ESSO REFINERIES. HE SAID THERE WERE "SUFFICIENT STOCKS" OF AVIATION FUEL AT ALL AIRPORTS, STORAGE POINTS AND INSTALLATIONS OF OIL COMPANIES AND AT REFINERIES TO MEET NORMAL NEEDS OF INDIAN AS WELL AS FOREIGN AIRLINES. MINISTER, HOWEVER, STATED THAT INDIAN AIRLINES WAS ASKED TO PREPARE CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR RESCHEDULING OF FLIGHTS IN THE EVENT OF DETERIORATION IN FUEL SUPPLY SITUATION.

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2. ESSO (I. MALHOTRA, DELHI RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE) ALSO DENIES SHORTAGE REPORTS. HE SAID THAT OIL COMPANIES HAVE ADEQUATE STOCKS OF AVIATION FUEL AND SHORTFALL IN PRODUCTION OF THIS PRODUCT RESULTING FROM IMPORT CURTAILMENT OF CRUDE DURING NOVEMBER WOULD BE QUITE NEGLIGIBLE. HE DOES NOT FORESEE ANY DIFFICULTIES IN SUPPLY OF CRUDE OIL TO BURMAH-SHELL FROM IRAN BUT NORMAL CRUDE OIL DELIVERIES TO ESSO REFINERY FROM SAUDI ARABIA DEPEND ON NEGOTIATIONS CURRENTLY UNDER WAY BETWEEN GOI AND SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENT. HE SAID THAT A. S. MEHTA, DEPUTY SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & CHEMICALS IS ALREADY AT JIDDA TO NEGOTIATE REGULAR SUPPLY OF CRUDE OIL TO ESSO REFINERY AS INDIA HAS NOW BEEN LISTED AMONG THE COUNTRIES EXEMPTED FROM A CUT IN CRUDE SUPPLIES BY SAUDI ARABIA.

3. PRICE OF AVIATION TURBINE FUEL ROSE NOVEMBER 3 FROM 28 CENTS TO 37 CENTS PRE U.S. GALLON F.O.B. STORAGE POINT. PAN AMERICAN TOLD EMBASSY THAT AT CURRENT INDIAN PRICE THEY UPLIFT ALMOST NO FUEL FROM INDIA, PREFERRING TO BUY AT CHEAPER NEIGHBORING ROUTE POINTS. MOYNIHAN

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